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THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

Proceedings of the First Session of the Fifth Parliament.

THURSDAY, Jan. 27th.

Mr. Speaker took the chair at 2 p.m.

Prayers were read by the Venerable Archdeacon Scriven.

PETITIONS PRESENTED.

Mr. Davie presented the petition of the Kootenay and Athabaska railway company for a private bill.

Mr. Baker presented the petition of the Upper Columbia railway company for a private bill.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS, ETC., BROUGHT DOWN.

Hon. Mr. Robson presented the thirteenth annual report of the register of births, deaths and marriages; also the public accounts for the fiscal year ending the 30th June, 1886.

PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Bole, on a question of privilege, objected to a report in the *Standard* of his remarks on Monday.

Mr. Beaven, rising to a point of order, complained of an error, the official report of the votes and proceedings of the house on Monday, inasmuch as in reference to the nomination of Mr. Turner for speaker appeared in them.

Hon. Mr. Davie pointed out that there was no vote or proceeding to record, Mr. Turner having declined the nomination.

Mr. Speaker said he was informed that dropped motions were never taken down in the votes and proceedings. Precisely the same course had been followed on this occasion as in the election of previous speakers by previous houses.

Mr. Beaven said all he wanted was a correct report of the votes and proceedings. He wanted something to show that Mr. Turner had been nominated.

THE ADDRESS IN REPLY.

Colonel Baker said: I have the honor to move the adoption of the address to the lieutenant-governor on the speech from the throne, which is before the house. In doing this it is, perhaps, almost needless for me to remark that there are so many in this house who from their ability and past experience of the affairs of this country are far more capable than I am of performing this important duty. But, sir, as the honor has been conferred upon me I shall endeavor to fulfil the obligation to the best of my ability. I think, sir, that it must be apparent to the house that this annual link in the chain of our history which is represented by the speech from the throne is one of special importance. It is so because the circumstances under which the government has to fulfil its functions are undergoing a very important change. If we glance back at the past history of the province we find that the country from its geographical position has been cut off for many years from easy communication with the outer world. The early settlers who came to this country, those pioneers of civilization, many of whom are now in the house, had to contend against all the difficulties and dangers which are inseparable from settlement in a wild and far distant country. They had to battle against the forces of nature, they had to fight against the forces of circumstance, and they had to pass through all the feverish pulsations of failure and success. But, sir, being as they were the offspring of the great British race and possessing as they did the characteristic of that race they have by their courage, by their industry and by their perseverence achieved a measure of success of which they may justly feel proud. However, from the nature of the case, the march of progress has hitherto been necessarily slow, but now the ship of state has sailed into more rapid waters, and the system of navigation has to be altered to meet the change of circumstances. That great channel of communication, the Canadian Pacific railway, is about to let flow into this country a full tide of human energy seeking new fields for enterprise, and we may expect the government and legislature of this country to catch this tide at the flood, to be careful that it does not waste its energy on the rocks of obstruction, but that on the contrary it shall by means of a liberal altruism tempered by discretion so guide and assist this energy that it may permeate through every nook and every crevice of this vast province, and thus develop the great natural resources which are known to exist. Before touching upon some of the special clauses in the speech from the throne it may be profitable briefly to glance at the future prospects of this country. We are taught by political economy that three things are absolutely necessary for the successful progress of any country and those are labor, capital and land. Now, sir, as to the first of these necessities the Canadian Pacific railway has put us in touch with the labor market of the world. If any industry is started in this country which requires that the labor which already exists should be supplemented, we have only to touch the telegraph and in a few days we can have all the labor which may be required. Therefore we have nothing to fear on this score. But, sir, labor must starve without capital, and this brings us to the second requisite for successful progress. Here also we have every cause for satisfaction. We know that the eyes of capitalists are being directed towards the vast resources of British Columbia, and it merely remains with the government and legislature so to use the great potential wealth of the country which is committed to their charge, that it may tempt and attract capitalists to invest their money in the country, and thus benefit our people and develop our resources. But, sir, neither labor nor capital will avail without the land. When I speak of land I do not mean agricultural land simply, but everything that is contained on or under the surface of the ground. Now, I would ask the house to remember the very great wealth in gold which has already been extracted from our province, and then to compare the small area upon which that gold has been found with the enormous area of the province which is unknown and upon which the foot of man has never yet trod. If this is done it must be manifest that the wealth in gold already extracted, great as it is, must still be but a small fraction of that which is still in the ground and has yet to be discovered. Not only, however, are we rich in the precious metals — we have also the baser metals in profusion—we have coal we have iron in abundance, the two minerals which have created the wealth and supremacy of England, we have inexhaustible forests of magnificent timber, we have vast grazing lands, and a rich agricultural soil in moderate proportion and when we arrive at the maritime hem of our province we find fisheries which are second to none in the world. We have heard British Columbia denated elsewhere as nothing but a series of mountains, but those who know it well are aware, that the mountains are the billows upon whose crests rides the good ship "enterprise" which the government of this country is determined to pilot into the harbor of "prosperity." With this fair prospect before us as indicated by the speech from the throne it is pleasing to turn to some of the special points in that speech. It is a matter for the greatest satisfaction to find that at this early stage of railway communication the exports from this country are obtaining a market in the east, but, I regret to say that with this satisfaction there is mingled the gravest disappointment that the transport rates by the Canadian Pacific Railway are so prohibitive that they practically place a dam across any extensive commercial stream between our maritime ports and the interior of the province. These prohibitive rates neutralize to a large extent the benefits which would otherwise be derived from that great artery of communication. It is of the utmost importance to this young colony that the money capital which it already possesses should circulate as far as possible within the boundaries of the province, but these prohibitive railway rates force much of this capital out of our country and thus checks our trade and impoverishes our people. The removal of this evil is of such paramount importance to the welfare of the country that it is earnestly to be hoped that the attention of the railway authorities will be directed to the subject at an early date, and that they will recognize that whatever tends to stimulate trade and improve the condition of our people must inevitably bring increased traffic and consequent expanded profits for their railway. It is also a source for much satisfaction to find that the output of gold for the past year exceeds by 25 per cent. that of the year previous. This highly satisfactory result is no doubt due to the facility for communication afforded by the Canadian Pacific railway. It has brought in more miners and more skill, and by cheapening the cost of food it has permitted mines to be worked at a profit which would otherwise have been idle. It is a sure and valuable indication of the good results which would follow the opening up of our rich valleys by means of railroads and wagon roads connecting with the main trunk line. By such means machinery could reach our rich quartz mines, our timber wealth would be utilized, our waste lands colonized, and the general prosperity of the state and of the people would be increased. While on this subject I would beg to call the attention of the house to a very important point. It is well known that the future prospects of British Columbia depend principally upon her great mineral wealth and especially her wealth in gold. Now the value of gold is a constant quantity, consequently the profit to the province on its annual output of gold will be made up of the difference between the cost of production of that gold and its intrinsic value. Therefore, the more we decrease the cost of production the greater the increase of profit to the province. We know by experience that railways and wagon roads, in fact easy means of communication, materially reduce the cost of provisions which again reduces the cost of production of our gold. It is, therefore, evident that the first necessity of the province is the opening up of the country by means of roads, and it is earnestly to be hoped that the legislature will give an early and favorable consideration to the subject. I have already remarked that the present year is one of great importance as heralding a new era of prosperity for the province, but it is also important in another sense as being the fiftieth anniversary of the accession to the throne of our gracious queen. Sir, as a most loyal subject of her majesty, I can most cordially add, and I feel sure that this loyal house can do so with equal cordiality, my heartfelt congratulations on this auspicious event. We owe much to our beloved queen, and not the least part of our obligation to her is the brilliant example of domestic life which she has shown her subjects throughout her long and glorious reign. There is no doubt that this house will take such measures for celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of her majesty's reign in a manner becoming the importance of the occasion and the dignity of the province. The lieutenant-governor in his speech from the throne has spoken to us of our present prosperity. In so doing he has suggested the many difficulties and dangers which have been successfully overcome in the past, and this reminds us that the brave and able settlers and colonists of our country possess in an eminent degree all the qualifications which are necessary to make a nation. When, sir, we add to this the undoubted fact that our country is pregnant with vast natural resources it warrants the belief that as year by year link to link is added to the chain of the history of this vast province the affairs of the country—no matter which party may be in power—will be conducted with such ability and upon such principles of honor and of dignity that in the far future our children's children out of the very plenitude of their pride will be able to exclaim "*Civis Romanus sum.*" [Great aplause.]

Mr Prior, in seconding the motion, said: As I am totally inexperienced in such matters, I must beg the indulgence of this honorable house during the few remarks I wish to make. The honorable member for Kootenay has undoubtedly thoroughly worked up his subject, and, I believe you will agree with me when I say that he has handled it in a masterly manner. Although he is, as he has told us, comparatively a new settler in the country, and has not nearly the knowledge of the country that most of the honorable members on this floor have, still he seems to have grasped the principal points of importance mentioned in the speech and to have given us the soundest views upon them. It is extremely hard for me to make any comments on the speech after it has been so ably replied to, but I cordially endorse all that the honorable member has said. We are informed that the year just closed has been one of exceptional interest and import to British Columbia. This is no doubt the case but I feel certain that the present year will be more so. The completion of the great iron road from Montreal to the Pacific coast was doubtless a subject for congratulation, but if this road is to continue to be run on the same policy as pursued at present I must confess that I do not think many of us will look on it as an unmixed blessing. When a country is opened up by a railroad the settlers are apt to think that they will derive some benefit from it. Now what do we find? We find the local rates of freight on the Pacific division fixed at such exhorbitant prices that they are in effect a measure prohibitory to the majority of settlers and others in the interior. This is a grievous injustice to the merchants of Victoria, New Westminster and Vancouver equally with merchants and farmers up country. But, sir, I am in hope that ere long when everything gets settled down into good working order the enterprising and persevering gentlemen who compose the directorate of that huge undertaking will see fit to give this province such rates as will give satisfaction to all concerned. The visit of the Right. Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald and party to this province has done much, sir, to open the eyes of our eastern countrymen to the value of British Columbia. Not only are our friends in the east now enabled to come and see what boundless undeveloped wealth we can show them, but we also can go and inspect the magnificent cities which their industry and enterprise are building up, and also, sir, at the same time cement that friendship without which the Dominion of Canada can never become one grand nation. With reduced rates of freight we shall, I believe, be able to ship immense quantities of our lumber to the Northwest and Manitoba. As these magnificent countries are being rapidly settled up the demand will be enormous. And, sir, whilst on the subject of lumber, I must say that I am extremely glad to see that it is the intention of the governmnent to bring in a bill for the better protection of the timber lands of this province. The supply may at present look inexhaustible; but, with such a drain on it as we may expect, a few years will make tracts of timber lands, which are easy of access now, very scarce. The lands must be kept for those who wish to use them and not for speculators who will keep them locked up for years. The market for our fruits will be almost unlimited, and I believe that that industry is destined to be one of the largest and most profitable in the province. Thousands of fruit trees have been imported and planted in the upper country this past year and still a greater quantity will be brought in this year. The land suitable for such industry is abundant, the climate is perfect and the fruit, both in quantity and quality, cannot be surpassed in the world. Although the Esquimalt and Nanaimo railway only indirectly affects the inhabitants on the mainland, it is, sir, of the greatest importance and benefit to those of us who live on the island. This work has been carried through with great spirit and dispatch, and reflects great credit on all those concerned in both the conception and the completion of it. It has already, of course, opened up hitherto inaccessible lands and minerals, but, I trust that at no distant date the honorable senior member for Nanaimo, in whose able hands the management and control are, will see fit to continue the same to Comox, one of the best farming districts and one of the largest coal deposits in the province. It is with the liveliest satisfaction, sir, that I see there has been a decided increase in the yield of gold. The total yield is about $900,000, being an advance of about 25% over last year. This seems a large sum, but when we think of the enormous masses of wealth that are undoubtedly lying hidden and undeveloped under our feet it seems lamentably small. I refer, sir, to our quartz ledges. The first step towards developing this wealth has already been taken by the building of the Canadian Pacific railway. Now, sir, the next thing is to get branches from that line running into our mining centres, and then the only things wanted are capital and cool heads. The capital will undoubtedly come as soon as we can show it there is work for it, but, sir, I must here warn the men of British Columbia against repeating the folly of 1877 and 1878 when mining stocks were boomed up without rhyme or reason and of course as suddenly collapsed. Booms, either in gold, silver, land or anything else are invariably disastrous to the large majority of those who take part in them, and are most detrimental to the progress of a country. I am happy to say that at the present time there are several of our most energetic and enterprising gentlemen working quietly and in the right manner to develope these mines, and I feel sure that the honorable members of this house will do their utmost to encourage them in every legitimate manner possible. In my humble opinion the best means of ascertaining what wealth we have in our quartz ledges is for the government to employ some good man of undoubted ability and experience whose duty it should be to examine and report upon any ledges that were discovered, also advise as to the best methods of opening them up, and give any assistance that lay in his power. As soon as the country is opened up with railroads many mines, both placer and quartz, which cannot be made to pay now owing to high rates of freight on supplies and machinery, will yield enormous profits. The increase in our population during the past year has been most gratifying, amounting (as near as the immigration agent can tell) to 11,000. This is a large increase to our sparse population, and, I am glad to say that these new settlers are mostly of the very kind wanted in a new country, namely, hard-working men with a little money who are willing to start in a small way and rise with the country. The majority of the hon. members present in this house will, I think, be glad to hear that the tax imposed by the Dominion government on the Chinese has had a most beneficial effect in closing our doors to them. The returns from the customs authorities just published shew that over 500 more Chinese have left the country than have come into it during the last year, and it is estimated by men who ought to know that there are 2000 fewer Chinese here now than there were twelve months ago. We are informed that communications have been addressed by the government to the Canadian Pacific railway company in regard to their bond covering the agreement for the extension of their line to Coal Harbor. But we are not told what the nature of those communications were. However, I feel that we can with confidence leave the matter in the hands of the government, knowing that the provincial rights will thus be well guarded. I must not sit down, sir, without adding a few words in regard to the fact of the present year being the jubilee year of our gracious queen. I have not had the honor, as has the distinguished and honorable mover of the reply, of serving her majesty on many fields of battle in foreign lands, but I have the honor of wearing her majesty's uniform as a Canadian militiaman, a branch of the service that is ever willing and anxious to do its best and will never be found wanting if called upon in any emergency. But it is not only under red coats that loyal hearts are beating. The population of this province is small in number, but they are sturdy of build, strong of arm, and stout of heart, and if ever the necessity should arise, I feel certain that every man of them is ready to lay down his life for a sovereign whose long reign has been one of prosperity, justice and wisdom. [Loud applause.]

Mr. Beaven congratulated the honorable mover and seconder of the address in reply on the very interesting speeches they had made and on the very interesting manner in which they had discussed the question. He confessed, when he had looked over the erroneously so-called speech from the throne to having experienced a sense of sympathy for these gentlemen, for a more barren document he had never seen. That they had shown sufficient ingenuity to make very interesting and able speeches on it was a cause for congratulation. The honorable gentleman then proceeded to arraign the government for having certain disputes with the Dominion authorities still unsettled. The recent decision of Mr. Justice Henry he claimed opened up a very large question which had been fully discussed in this legislature, namely as to whether a whole of a solid block of land should be transferred to the Dominion government for railway purposes or simply alternate sections. Then there was the litigation in connection with the Sumas dyking scheme which he said was no doubt a very interesting piece of business for the legal gentlemen connected with it. The house had a right to expect in the speech from the throne something about the disallowance of the land act. The government was in dispute with the Dominion in the matter of the townsite of Farwell. He believed the chief commissioner was wrong when he issued a crown grant for this land. He would like to have heard also something about the foreshore rights of the province. This province was in a peculiar position on this question. In former times the house was accustomed to discuss the rights of the province to a portion of the fishery award and also the question of the boundary between the province and Alaska. On these subjects not a word was now heard. In the matter of railway charters the house would liked to have received some information. It was stated that the government had entered into correspondence with the C. P. R. company respecting its bonds for the extension of the line to Vancouver, the nature of which, however, was not stated. These were all matters on which the house had a right to expect to hear something more than it did. The honorable gentleman then stated that the present government, strange as it might appear to those who had not looked into the matter, represented a minority of the voters of the province. He agreed with the honorable gentleman from Kootenay that the sea of mountains was the most valuable portion of the province and would like to hear him explain what he thought of the government's action in giving so much of it away. Last year we had a finance minister but this year we had none and this was a matter which required some explanation. It was currently reported that the provincial secretary had been telling his constituents some very tall stories about the amount of money in the treasury, but there was no doubt if he had had the smallest peg to stand on something would have been heard about it in the speech. The honorable gentleman concluded with a few other remarks, and on resuming his seat was cheered by the opposition benches.

Hon. Mr. Davie, on rising, referred to the questions trotted out by the honorable leader of the opposition, which had been time and again in this house and in the public press fully discussed over and over again. Every one would agree that it was a very remarkable thing if the government represented a minority of the voters of the province as stated by the honorable leader of the opposition. The honorable gentleman was in error when he spoke of the large number of disputes between the province and the Dominion government. Correspondence on the disallowance of the land act would be brought down if asked for. In regard to the foreshore rights, he did not know that there was any necessity of referring to them till they came up. Decision had recently been given that they were vested in the Queen as represented by the Dominion government. The only matter, in fact, in dispute with the Dominion government was that in regard to the ownership of the precious metals in the railway belt. Reference had been made to the Sumas lands as another illustration of the difficulties with the Dominion government. Such of disputes out of necessity must arise. Ontario, perhaps the best governed province of the Dominion, had many of them, and always came out all right. He also referred briefly to other points raised by the opposition.

Mr. Bole said he took it that the government had endeavored to say nothing, and they had succeeded admirably. He believed the speech from the throne should have in some measure foreshadowed the legislation to come up during the session. As to the speech in general, the burden of its song was the same laudation of the Canadian Pacific railway which had been going on for months *ad nauseum*. The C. P. R. was not an unmixed blessing. He referred at some length to the objectionable course pursued by the company in this province. He said it was certainly very extraordinary that officials everywhere, high and low, bowed down to this huge monopoly. It devolved upon the opposition alone in both houses to oppose its dealings with the people. The hon. gentleman then referred to the investing in Port Moody property by many of the pioneers of the province upon the faith of statue declarations of the Dominion government and to the result of the change made in the terminus upon the recommendation of Mr. Van Horne. It had been severely felt by many of those for whom he had authority to speak. He was sorry, to say the least, that the supreme court of Canada had committed itself to very bad law in their recent decision in regard to the extension. He was proud, however, that our own judges had stood up for right in this matter, notwithstanding the influence of the Canadian Pacific railway. At the proper time he would refer to the granting of 6000 acres of land to this company to induce them to build a line of railway to Coal Harbor in their own interest. Referring to the fisheries he said that the shores of British Columbia would be a paradise compared to the storm-swept shores of Labrador, and fishermen should receive rufficient encouragement in the way of locating them on lands. With regard to the timber limits he thought that some guarantee should be exacted from those taking them up. It was rather late in the day now to take action. Referring to the general elections he was of opinion that they had been sprung upon the country before the electors were able to form opinions and, of course, resulted in favor of the government. There was one point in which he was in thorough accord with the mover and seconder, and that was contained in the paragraph relating to the Queen's jubilee. All opposition members were a unit on that matter. In Queen Victoria they had a ruler of statesmanlike ability, combined with the highest domestic virtues. (Hear.) Taking the speech from the throne as a whole he considered it unsatisfactory, and left them as much in the dark as ever. However, he thought the balance would be found on the wrong side of the book.

Mr. Ladner said that prices were such on the transcontinental highway that pack-train freights were preferable. He thought the provincial government should insist on a scale of prices being furnished the Dominion government every year, so that they might have a remedy against excessive charges. He was of opinion that the agricultural sections of the country required railways to open them up as much as the mining districts. (Hear, hear.) He thought more encouragement should have been given the fishermen who came out last year to locate a colony. He understood that the government now refused to grant them land which they had previously promised. The Sumas dyking act was a great detriment to settlement but he was glad now to see that there was some prospect of relief. The elections were sprung on the electors. An officer of the government traveled through his district virtually with the money-bags in one hand and asking for votes with the other. Many promises were made, and in one instance at any rate, money was expended to induce votes for the government. The provincial secretary told them that they had run the country well, that they had not borrowed money, although authorized to do so—all they had done was to secure an overdraft. He (Mr. Ladner) could not see the difference between the two.

Mr. McLeese said he would make a few remarks in reference to gold mining. It was gratifying to know that there was an increase in the gold output. It was with pleasure that he noticed that the government had taken steps to have a survey for a Cariboo railway, though he thought it an unnecessary expenditure. There had previously been surveys made up the North Thompson and over to the 108 mile post. He thought the route now proposed was not not calculated to do much good to the present population of Cariboo, and the Fraser river route to Quesnellemouth and thence to Barkerville should be insisted upon. Otherwise the road would not benefit the agriculturalists. He thought the government should assist in placing chlorination works in Cariboo that would reduce at least ten tons in twenty-four hours.

Mr. Thos. Davie said he had listened with pleasure and pride to the honorable gentlemen who had moved and seconded the address, and he agreed thoroughly with their remarks, and was pleased to notice the ability they had shown in framing the address. He could not see that there was running through the speech anything that looked like singing the praises of the Canadian Pacific railway. No doubt it was the duty of the government to see that this gigantic monopoly did not infringe on the rights of the people. He was pleased to note that there was an attempt on the part of the government to keep them within reasonable bounds. He thought that the decision of the supreme court of Canada in the case of Major *vs.* the C. P. R. was not a fair one. He said this in all due deference to the opinions of the learned gentlemen in that court. If the railway can run from Port Moody to Vancouver without the consent of this legislature, they would have the right to build without permission to any part of the province or to any other province of Canada. If the decision was correct, the local railways seeking charters were at the mercy of the Canadian Pacific, for it had only to say they were a portion of their system and it could suppress whom it pleased. He was glad to know that it was the intention to carry the matter somewhere else for a final decision. The government had said in their speech that they were going to insist upon the payment of the bond for $250,000. While doing this it would not be consistent in them to take up the dispute of Major *vs.* the C. P. R. and contest their right to bring the rails down. It was a different matter entirely and would require the serious consideration of the house. With regard to the government bowing to the railway he did not think that they or any member of the house would be likely to do so. He believed that the elections were brought on at the proper time, and it was a similar action to that of Mr. Beaven in 1882. If the government had not brought them on when they did there would have been cries raised about usurping office, that they were afraid to go before the electors. The general opinion was that the government had acted wisely in bringing on the elections when they had. He (Mr. D.) submitted figures which he said proved conclusively that the government had the confidence of the great majority of the electors. He contended that it was 6,000 to 1,500 according to majorities at the elections. He believed with his honorable friend from New Westminster district (Mr. Ladner), that a great wrong was committed in continuing the Sumas dyking act, and trusted that Matsqui would also be considered when relief was granted. He congratulated the mover and seconder of the reply to the governor's speech, and considered there was nothing in it to cause him to vote against the government.

Mr. Grant congratulated the government and the mover and seconder to the reply to the address upon the happy and eloquent manner in which it had been treated. He thought the government were lacking in statesmanship in not having provided against collision between the two governments in regard to the proprietorship of the minerals. He thought more attention should be paid to quartz mining, and the government should aid in its development. He noticed in the returns furnished that the late finance minister's predictions that the overdraft would be $260,000 was borne out. He thought the ministers were just as responsible for their estimates as for their expenditures—the latter had exceeded greatly the former. The government should have provided against the C. P. R. being able to impose upon the people of this province; they, however, had let the chance slip, but they should now aid in relieving the people as much as possible. The Alaska-British Columbia boundary should be considered, and now was the most desirable time to locate a boundary line. He thought many expenditures expended before 7th July last were entirely unwarranted and it was easily seen for what purpose they were made.

Mr. Orr was glad to see the wise selection the government had made in the mover and seconder of the address, and congratulated their constituents upon the eloquence of their representatives. The benefits to be derived from the completion of the C. P. R. and Island railways were questions of the future. The mainland at any rate had derived little benefit. He blamed the government for not having insisted on a scale of passenger and freight rates for British Columbia. He understood the Dominion government had not handed over the Onderdonk section to the railway, and he thought the railway had no right whatever to extend their line on from Port Moody. The government had deeded the land away at Coal Harbor to two parties who had no interest whatever in the railway and whether the line was brought down or not they would probably avoid the payment of the $250,000 bond. The railway had extended their line without obtaining the provincial or Dominion sanction, and the government should see that the rights of the province were not over-ridden. He saw that there were a number of companies seeking railway charters from the house, but from the position the railway was in he thought it might be wise for all companies to apply to the C. P. R. for them. He was glad to see a move in the Sumas dyking act, but he feared the settlers would be placed in no better position. The titles of the settlers should be secured without chance of question. He believed that the elections were sprung upon the people, and he thought that neither party represented the majority of the voters, for not half of the registered votes were polled.

Mr. Duns muir moved the adjournment of the debate. He was very much surprised at the remarks of the opposition in regard to the elections. In 1882 the Beaven government dissolved the house on the 30th of June, and issued the writs on the same day with nominations on the 10th of July. The present government had behaved in a much better spirit, and he thought it ridiculous for honorable gentlemen opposite to talk in the way they did. Nothing they said could be believed. (Applause.)

House adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. Friday.

QUESTIONS.

Mr. Bole—On Monday will ask the minister of finance "Have any bonds under or in pursuance of the Loan Act, 1886, been issued or used. If so, in what manner?"

Mr. Bole—On Monday will ask "What amount had the government to its debit or credit at the government bank on the 31st Dec., 1886, and what was the cash balance in the deputy treasurer's hands at the same date?"

Mr. Semlin—On Monday will ask the minister of finance "What was the total revenue and expenditure from the 1st of July to the 31st Dec., 1886? also, what was the amount of revenue brought to account at the treasury during the first six months of the fiscal year 1886-1887 on account of land sales?"

Mr. Martin—On Monday will ask the attorney-general (1) How long has J. B. Hill been confined in gaol at Kamloops; (2) for what cause; (3) who pays for his maintenance; (4) if the provincial government, how much; (5) has any money been paid by the private prosecutor, and, if so, how much?

MOTIONS.

Mr. Higgins—On Monday will move that an address be presented to the lieutenant-governor, praying that a return be sent down to this house of all timber lands alienated by the provincial government from the date of the various acts relating thereto coming into force to the present date, giving the location and acreage so alienated, the names of the parties by whom the said lands were acquired and the names of the parties by whom they are now held.

Mr. Higgins—Will move on Monday next that a respectful address be presented to his honor the lieut.-governor, praying that a return be sent down to this house of all expenditure on account of government house, from the date of consideration to the 31st December, 1885.

QUEBEC EXCITED.

M. Mercier Succeeds in Electing Marchand Speaker.

Governmental Explanations to be Given During the Debate on the Address.

Adjournment Negatived by Seven Votes—Canada's Position on the Fisheries Question Impregnable—Masson has Decided to Let the Majority Rule—Col. Dennison Nominated for West Toronto.

(Special to THE COLONIST.)

Mercier Ovated.

QUEBEC, Jan. 27.—The national demonstration to Hon. Mr. Mercier was a great success. He was given a magnificent reception. On alighting from the train he was hoisted on the shoulders of some of his friends and conveyed to a carriage containing Mayor Langlier and others, which was drawn by four prancing greys. The route of the procession was black with people. Mercier made an eloquent speech.

House meets to-morrow; thirty-three members of the opposition meet tonight, and will nominate Hon. Mr. Marchand for speaker.

Beatty Shelved.

TORONTO, Jan. 27.—Col. Fred. Dennison has been nominated for West Toronto by the conservatives. Jas. Beatty got shelved.

Our Position Solid.

MONTREAL, Jan. 29.—All leading Canadian papers, irrespective of party, agree that Canada's position is impregnable on the fisheries question and urge the Dominion government to uphold Canada's rights at all hazards. At the same time the hope is expressed that the U. S. government will not take the course which recent legislation dictates until every means of coming to a fair and friendly settlement is exhausted.

Opening of the Legislature.

QUEBEC, Jan. 27.—The parliament of Quebec was called to meet this afternoon, but the real opening with the speech from the throne, announcing the programme of the government will not take place until to-morrow. His honor will drive to the throne room of the legislative council in state, but as the members of the lower house will appear without a speaker the lieutenant-governor will not read to the assembled wisdom of the country the speech usual on such occasions, and the assemblymen will be sent back to the green chamber to wrangle and fight over the election of a first commoner. Mr. Taillon will meet parliament but Mr. Flynn will not be numbered among his colleagues. When Dr. Ross, the premier, resigned, of course his resignation carried with it the resignation of his entire cabinet. The lieutenant-governor, presumably at the request of Dr. Ross, called upon Mr. Taillon, his attorney-general, to form a government which should possess the confidence of parliament and the country. This task was difficult considering the peculiarities of the present political situation, but the attorney-general felt himself capable of performing it. Opinion to-day on the subject is evenly divided. Mr. Flynn, one of the ablest members of the Ross administration, has not seen fit on constitutional grounds to resume office under Mr. Taillon, and with Dr. Ross he remains out of the cabinet, but it is not believed that either of those gentlemen will offer any opposition to the new premier, however they may differ from him on the expediency of his move. Of the six nationalists upon whom the fate of the government depends, the following our, Messrs. Bourbonnais, Larochelle, Trudel and Turcotte occupied sleighs immediately behind Mr. Mercier's sleigh last night. The members of the opposition attended a caucus at Sheyn's house last night when it was agreed to nominate Hon. Mr. Marchand as the candidate of the liberals for speaker.

2:30 p. m.—Immense crowds gathering around the parliament buildings. Mr. Faucher, de Ste. Maurice, will be the conservative candidate, and Hon. Mr. Marchand, the liberal. The Mercier party claims the latter will be elected by from 5 to 7 majority. There is intense excitement in the lobby. The government decided not to resign if defeated on the speakership. Lieut.-Governor Masson has positively decided to allow the majority to rule.

3. p. m.—There is an immense crowd gathered in and around the parliament buildings. The lieutenant-governor has just arrived and summoned the assembly to the council chamber.

3:30 p. m.—The members have just returned to the chamber. Premier Taillon moved that Faucher, of Bellechasse, be named speaker. As Mercier rose to move in amendment that Hon. Mr. Marchand be named he was received with tremendous applause from all parts of the house. Mercier's amendment moving Marchand as speaker, was carried by ten majority. The vote stood 36 to 26, terrible excitement reigned. Marchand was elected speaker, St. Hilaire absent. Marchand and Faucher did not vote. The speaker has taken the chair amid applause and congratulations by members. Mercier is now speaking. The vote on the amendment was 36 to 27; majority for Mercier 9.

4 P. M.—Mercier asked an explanation regarding the ministerial changes and whether there was a government or not? also whether the other side accepted their defeat? Taillon said the explanation would be given in proper time during the debate on the address and moved an adjournment. Mercier said the majority would assert their rights and not adjourn till an explanation was given. He opposed adjournment. The house rejected Taillon's motion by 35 to 28.

Another Account.

Mercier has just spoke in strong language and asked if there was a government and who composes it. Taillon refused to give explanations now and moved the adjournment. The members were now called to vote. The motion was rejected by a majority of 7. The house is waiting on Taillon to speak.

A Hot Discussion.

LATER.—A discussion is going on at Mercier's request for explanations. Taillon refused to give them saying he was not authorized by the lieutenant-governor to do so. Mercier asked if there was a government and Taillon replied that if there had been none the house would not have been called. Lynch is now speaking.

5 P. M.—The house is still sitting. Mercier himself moved an adjournment about a quarter of an hour since at the close of a speech in which he denounced the ministerial party's retention of office for over two months past as an usurpation. Taillon and Lynch spoke in reply, characterizing the use of the word usurpation as an unheard of and uncalled for reflection on the lieutenant-governor. Taillon was repeatedly hissed and hooted by the galleries and the greatest excitement continues at present. Members are now speaking to kill time till six o'clock, when the house will adjourn. The speakers were, Mercier, Blanchet and Gagnon, the last accusing the government of staying in power to keep the Dominion government in, hoping that the constitution would drive them out before that.

House Adjourned.

The house adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

TUPPER FINANCE MINISTER.

McLellan Becomes Postmaster General, Campbell Retiring.

Thought the Quebec Government Will Resign if Defeated on the Address—Great Excitement Prevails.

[From our Own Correspondent.]

OTTAWA, Jan. 27.—All rumors regarding probable cabinet changes have been set at rest. This afternoon Sir Charles Tupper was sworn in as minister of finance, Hon. Mr. McLellan assuming the portfolio of postmaster general, Sir A. Campbell retiring on account of ill-health. Both ministers left immediately for Nova Scotia to take a hand in the campaign.

Startling news comes from Quebec. Mercier defeated the government on the election of a speaker by ten votes. It is thought the government will resign if defeated on the address. Great excitement prevails.

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The Colonist.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28TH, 1887.

THE MASS MEETING.

The mass meeting of liberal-conservatives held last evening in The Victoria proved that they were not in favor of a convention on the eastern principle, viz.: selecting two candidates to support through thick and thin, but rather preferred the old style of committee work. While it is somewhat disappointing that arrangements could not be made by which two pledged conservatives would be run in that interest, yet the fact was demonstrated that the city is thoroughly in accord with Sir John Macdonald's government. It had been stated that a "hole-and-corner meeting" was being held in order that a self-constituted clique might foist two candidates upon the electors, but that idea was dissipated by last night's meeting when the great body of conservatives was consulted. A convention is now, of course, out of the question, as the popular verdict seems to be against it; but we would impress strongly upon the great majority in this city and district who are in favor of Sir John's administration not to commit the fatal mistake of bringing forward so many conservative candidates that the grits may have the opportunity of electing their men under the guise of independents or "straddle-bugs." It would be in direct opposition to the interests of the city and province, and an act of base ingratitude towards the man and the government that have done so much to bring British Columbia to her present prosperity.

TAXATION.

Hamilton *Spectator:* The Mackenzie government was in power five years—1874 to 1878 inclusive. During those five years the people of Canada paid in taxes to the Dominion government $94,948,340. The government spent the whole of that sum for ordinary current needs and a further sum of $1,997,618, which was borrowed. This is wholly independent of money spent in the construction of public works. Thus the sums for ordinary governmental use averaged $19,389,191 yearly, and taking the average population at that of 1876, which was 3,949,165, we find that the average Dominion taxation, for each head of the population, during the five years of reform rule, was $4.91 yearly.

The conservatives returned to power in 1878. During the seven years—1879 to 1885 inclusive, the people paid in taxes to the Dominion government $168,584,799; but only $145,844,245 was spent for ordinary governmental use. The remainder of the sum was expended on public works. The taxation needed for carrying on the government of the Dominion, including subsidies to provinces, averaged $20,834,892, or $4.78 per head of the population yearly, taking the population of 1881 as the basis for calculation.

To summarize: The Mackenzie government taxed the people for ordinary governmental purposes, $4.91 per head per year.

The Macdonald government has taxed the people for ordinary governmental purposes $4.78 cents per head per year.

The burden of taxation has been reduced by thirteen cents per head yearly so far as the ordinary expenses of the government are concerned.

"INDEPENDENT" CANDIDATES.

THE local grit organ will not resurrect the "independent" chesnut. While regretting to be obliged to do so we showed up its utter lack of consistency so completely and so irrefutably yesterday morning that the presiding genius came to the decision that discretion was the better part of valor, and displaying somewhat more wisdom than he usually does, is "mum" on the subject. We conclusively proved from his own writings that he held diametrically opposite views as to so-called "independents" during the last local elections from those he holds now, and exposed his want of principle in a manner so crushing that a reply is impossible. Our misguided contemporary has a happy faculty usually of crawling out of a hole, and when cornered invariably goes off at a tangent into something entirely irrelevant to the question at issue, hoping in that way to squirm out of the ugly position in which he had placed himself. But here the issue was so square a one and so firmly "clinched" home that the only way to avoid it was to beat a most ignoble retreat. What a character, however, to build up as a public journal! Carried away by every wind that blows, to-day conservative, to-morrow independent and the next liberal; one year advocating the bringing out of square party men, and consigning independents to the lowest depths, the next assuring its readers that the man who belonged to no party, who went into parliament perfectly untrammelled, who was thoroughly independent, was "the man for Galway." Out upon such political double-dealing! All candidates seeking the suffrages of the electors should at least have the credit of their convictions, and announce themselves as friendly to the liberal-conservative party or the reform. "Straddle-bugs" are a species of insect which find no favor in any intelligent constituency. This is what the *Times* said of them in June last:

"As a rule candidates of the 'independent' stripe are not manly or honest enough to pronounce for or against either party while soliciting the suffrages of the electors, but no sooner are they elected than a 'flop' is made to the strongest side, that upon which the flesh pots and political spoils are to be encountered. Such at all events is the experience in all other sections of the country in which the independents are to be met with, and being for sale to the highest bidder they are not a very desirable class to be entrusted with power and electors will be careful to place them in a position to take advantage of, and betray the trust reposed in them."

Alas! what a fall was there, my countrymen, from such high teachings to those which the liberal sheet has been attempting to inculcate since the opening of the present campaign.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The speeches of Messrs. Baker and Prior were gems. They captured the house and showed that the gentlemen are possessed of good debating powers, backed by a liberal education. Such speeches are always listened to with pleasure and profit.

Mr. Bole, in rising to begin his remarks on the speech, said that he did "not agree with the leader of the opposition." Whoever did agree with him? Name the man and he will secure a first-class position in a dime museum as a "freak."

The debate on the speech was characterized by much good humor and geniality. Mr. Beaven was the only gentleman who exhibited peevishness, and as he has lately had a great disappointment his fretful disposition is excusable. It is rough on a fellow to know that he is condemned for an indefinite period to sit in the hyperborean region of opposition after having already sat four years there.

Mr. Bole made a "pretty little" speech yesterday, and showed that he will be an acquisition to the debating power of the house. Mr. Ladner appeared to think that he was still canvassing his district for votes. He went over the whole weary details of the contest with evident relish. Many years after General Jackson had died and been laid away an old, old hunter came down out of the mountains and tendered his vote at a polling booth for "General Jackson." The poor old man did not know the mighty changes that had taken place during the thirty years of his absence from civilization. Does Mr. Ladner know that the election is over?

A Montreal politician says: "I reckon that Prince Edward Island will only elect one opponent of Sir John Macdonald. New Brunswick will return a majority of six in his favor. In Nova Scotia he will be in a minority of about seven, while in Quebec, in spite of all this Riel agitation, Sir John will have a majority of six or seven. Ontario will, I am convinced, give him a lead of sixteen or eighteen. Manitoba and British Columbia will each of them send six members to support him, and the entire representation of the northwest will be elected in his favor. He will have, I think, a majority of about thirty-five to thirty-eight." The Hamilton *Spectator* speculates thus: "Should the conservative have no more than the *bleus* have in the legislature they will hold 31 or 32 of the 65 seats. If the reformers should have one or three majority in Quebec, where are they to gain the 35 other seats needed by them? They will probably gain three or four in Nova Scotia, but they will lose two or three in New Brunswick. We fully expect from 10 to 15 majority in Quebec and the maritime provinces. West of Ontario the conservatives will have 13 and probably 14 of the 15 members-elect. In Ontario the present majority of 16 will probably be cut down to about 12." There are two estimates here. One gives a majority of 35, the other a majority of 42, for the conservatives.

ECHOES FROM YALE.

The weather the past week has been moderate, with occasional slight falls of snow or rain. To-day we are having very heavy downfalls of snow, and the probability is that by to-morrow the "beautiful" will be three or four feet deep.

Last evening a special train passed through with eighty men from Winnipeg to be employed on the Vancouver line of the C. P. R., and it is stated more men from the same city are preparing to follow. Some of the employes had their wives and children with them.

The general belief prevails that Chinamen do not roam at night. This theory is being rudely dispelled here, in the fact that hen roots now have very few occupants, and seeing that John considers chickens are raised for his especial behoof the chances are, in a very short time, they (the chickens, not the Chinamen) will become things of the past. The heathen Chinee's method is very peculiar, and his investment to procure a living involves but little outlay. He simply provides himself with a bag and a piece of rod iron about two feet in length, one end of which is wrapped with a piece of rag to give it a firm hold, and prepared with these two inexpensive articles he noiselessly gains access to the hen-roost, taps the unsuspecting roosters on the head with the iron, slips them into his bag and quietly retreats with his dead friends. Some times he is either caught *in flagrante delicto*, or a search in his hovel proves successful. On the return of our J. P. from Victoria some of these chicken thieves will be introduced to him.

January 23, 1887.

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THE RETALIATION BILL.

Absurd Comments of the Committee.

Has Canada Any Rights that the United States Is Bound to Respect.

The report of the committee accompanying the senate retaliation bill says:

The pretension is ill-founded that, as has been sometimes asserted by the government of Great Britain, American fishing vessels or others have no right except at the pleasure of the British government to be in or to prosecute lawful pursuits in the great arms of the sea extending between ports of the British mainland, and which are more than six marine miles broad. It would seem that it is the deliberate purpose of the British government to leave it to the individual discretion of each one of the numerous magistrates, fishery officers and customs officers of Canada to seize and bring into port any American vessels, whether fishing or other, that he finds within any harbor in Canada or hovering within Canadian waters. The statute does not even except those Canadian waters in which, along a large part of the southern coast and the whole of the western coast of Newfoundland, they are entitled to fish, to say nothing of the vast extent of the continental coast of Canada. The committee is of the firm opinion that this legislation is in violation of the treaty of 1818, and of the principle of comity and good neighborhood. Some of the seizures were in clear violation of the treaty of 1818, and others were made on such slender and technical grounds as to make it impossible to believe they were made with the object of protecting substantial rights against real and substantial invasion, but must have been made rather under the stimulus of the cupidity of the seizing officer, or else they must have arisen from a systematic disposition on the part of the Dominion authorities to vex and harass American vessels so as to produce a state of embarrassment and inconvenience with respect to intercourse with the provinces as to coerce the United States into an arrangement of general reciprocity with the Dominion. The committee shows that whenever reciprocity has been tried, the result has been injurious to the United States.

BEHRING SEAL FISHERIES.

Government to Vigorously Carry on the War Against Seal Pirates.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Orders were sent by the secretary of the treasury some days ago to San Francisco directing the immediate refitting of the Bear for cruising in the waters of the Behring sea. The rumors or insinuations made from time to time that the government would not continue vigorously to enforce the law prohibiting the killing of fur seals in Alaskan waters are wholly unfounded. The most energetic action directly in the line of last year's work will be repeated during the forthcoming season. The revenue cutter Bear will be followed by the Corwin, and the joint cruising of these vessels is expected to sweep every seal pirate from Behring Sea. The treasury department in this matter simply carries out the law. The state department is now considering the claims of Great Britain as to whether or not international law in this matter has been violated. All the precedents and the history of Russian control and ownership are now under review. The right and title of Russia to exclusive jurisdiction over the waters of Behring Sea from 1745 to 1867, when she sold part of her claim to the United States, is a very strong one, well guarded and fortified by the terms of all her treaty stipulations with this government in 1824, with Great Britain in 1825, later in 1841, and finally with this government again in 1867. Any statement that the state department will carelessly surrender the rights and title acquired by the purchase of Alaska by the United States is simply irresponsible and groundless.

LATE CANADIAN NEWS.

QUEBEC.

In the Amyot-Tarte libel case the jury returned a verdict for Amyot with damages. Only three quarters of the whole costs were given against Tarte, one-fourth being against Demers, proprietor of *Le Canadien*.

At the Basilica, Ottawa, Vicar-General Routhier again denounced skating and tobogganning, and expressed surprise that in obedience to the wishes of the church, the parents had not forbidden their children indulging in them.

Sir John Kaye has sailed for home. He has arranged to import from England all thoroughbred stock amounting to over six hundred head for the experimenting farms in the Northwest.

A brakeman named Alex. Riopella, has been accidentally killed at Point Claire.

Harold C. Keefer, assistant engineer on the construction of the Ontario & Quebec railway bridge at Vaudreil, fell from the bridge and was killed.

A full bench of court of appeals, Montreal, refused an application for a writ of *habeas corpus* in the case of J. S. Hoke, of Peoria, a defaulter. Hoke will petition the minister of justice against the decision.

It is understood that Judge Torrance has bequeathed his estate, valued at $71,000, to McGill university. Mrs. Torrance will enjoy the usufruct of the estate, which will be administered by the university.

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DOMINION ELECTIONS.

To the Electors of the Electoral District of Victoria:

Gentlemen,—I beg to announce myself as a candidate to represent Victoria District in the Dominion House of Commons, and solicit your support.

W. A. ROBERTSON.

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To the Electors of the Electoral District of Victoria for the House of Commons:

Gentlemen,—I beg respectfully to announce myself a candidate for re-election to the House of Commons, as a supporter of the Liberal Conservative party.

NOAH SHAKSPEARE.

Jan. 15th, 1887.

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To the Electors of the Electoral District of Victoria for the House of Commons:

Gentlemen,—I beg respectfully to announce that I am a Candidate for re-election as one of your representatives in the Ottawa Parliament, and a supporter of Sir John A. Macdonald.

E. CROW BAKER.

24th Jan., 1887.

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To the Electors of Vancouver Island District:

Gentlemen,—Having been requested by a large number of Electors to allow my name to be placed in nomination as Liberal Conservative Candidate for the House of Commons for your large and important District, I respectfully announce myself as a Candidate for the favor of your support at the coming election.

I will be pleased to hold public meetings wherever possible as soon (in the course of a few days) as I have brought my official duties as Stipendiary Magistrate to a close and tendered my resignation.

Yours faithfully,

J. P. PLANTA.

Nanaimo, V. I., Jan. 24th, 1887.

jan25dw

To the Electors of Vancouver Island District for the House of Commons:

Gentlemen,—I beg to announce myself as a candidate at the ensuing Dominion Election for the representation of your important district in the Parliament of Canada.

I again solicit your confidence as a firm supporter of the Liberal Conservative party, whose wise policy has raised the Dominion of Canada to her present exalted position.

I will hold public meetings wherever I find it possible to do so, of which due notice will be given and at which I will give an account of my stewardship during the four years that I have had the honor of representing you in the House of Commons.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,

Yours truly,

D. W. GORDON.

Nanaimo, Jan. 17th, 1887.

ja18dw

To the Electors of the Electoral District of Victoria:

Gentlemen,—I again offer myself as a candidate for your suffrages at the coming Election, as a Conservative, but not as a slave to any party. My platform will be: (1) The well-being of Victoria and District, which has been entirely overlooked. (2) Vancouver Island and its varied interests. (3) British Columbia in general. (4) The Dominion and its people. As Mayor of the city, I feel it will enable me to bring before the Dominion Government those varied interests with greater force and effect.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following described shares in the Capital Stock of the above named Company have been sold at public auction to cover assessment No. 8, with interest and expenses, and that the Certificates therefor have been cancelled, namely:—John Bennett, Certificate No. 976, 50 shares; Elizabeth Emma Cooper, 2, 10 shares; Peter Donnelly, 112, 100 shares; Augustus R. Green, 122, 40 shares and 925, 300 shares; Edith Green, 123, 10 shares; Michael J. Goode, 874, 50 shares and 951, 25 shares; Asbury Insley, 109, 50 shares; Maggie A. Insley, 110, 50 shares; Geo. C. Keays, 60, 100 shares and 269, 100 shares; Loo Chew Fan 554, 300 shares; William McEwan, 115, 30 shares; Thomas Oliver, 56, 30 shares; Guy C. Phinney, 962, 100 shares; Arthur William Reynolds, 1030, 100 shares; Charles Smith, 369, 50 shares; J. Chrystal Smith, 928, 125 shares; J. Spencer Thompson, 1022, 100 shares; John Wilfred Webb, 84, 150 shares; and Alexander Wallace, 835, 100 shares.

The public are cautioned not to negotiate any of the above certificates or shares.

GEO. A. SARGISON,
Secretary.

Victoria, 13th Jan., 1887. jan14

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THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE EXisting between Charles Spring and Alexander McLean under the name and style of CHAS. SPRING & CO., has this day been dissolved. C. SPRING will collect all debts and pay all liabilities.

C. SPRING.
Witness, ALEXANDER McLEAN.
EDGAR CROW BAKER, Notary Public de31

British Columbia Milling and Mining Co., Limited

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the office of said Company, Langley Street, Victoria, B. C., on MONDAY, the SEVENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY NEXT, at half-past eleven o'clock, a. m., to receive the report of the Directors, to elect Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may then and there be submitted.

The transfer books will be closed between the 25th day of January and the 7th day of February, inclusive.

By order of the Directors.

GEO. A. SARGISON,
Dated 7th Jan., 1887. ja8 Secretary.

Medical Council of British Columbia.

AN EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES for admittance to register under the provisions of the British Columbia Medical Act of 1886, will be held in the CITY OF VICTORIA, on TUESDAY, the 1st day of FEBRUARY next. Full particulars will be given by applying to the Registrar.

G. L. MILNE,
ja7-1m Registrar and Sec'y

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Plans and specifications can be seen, and forms for tender and agreement to execute a bond obtained, at the office of the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Surveyor-General.

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B. C., 19th Jan., 1887. ja26d

Tenders for a License to Cut Timber on Dominion Lands, in the Province of British Columbia.

SEALED TENDERS ADDRESSED TO THE undersigned and marked "Tenders for a Timber Berth," will be received at this office until noon, on Monday, the Fourteenth day of February next, for Timber Berth of twenty-five square miles, more or less, No. 19, situated on the South-West side of the Columbia River, near Donald, on the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, in the Province of British Columbia.

Sketches showing the position approximately of this berth, together with the conditions on which it will be licensed, may be obtained at this Department, or at the Crown Timber Offices at Winnipeg, Calgary, North-West Territories, and New Westminster, British Columbia.

A. M. BURGESS,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

Department of the Interior,
Ottawa, 7th Jan., 1887. ja23 4t

TENDERS.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE undersigned for the erection of a two storey Hotel at Goldstream for James Phair, Esq. Tenders must be sent in before 12 o'clock, at noon, of Feb. 5th. Plans now to be seen at my office. ja25 E. H. FISHER, Architect.

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PRIVATE BILLS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT APplication will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to Incorporate a Company for the construction and operation of a line of railway in the District of Kootenay, in the Province of British Columbia, from a point at or near Revelstoke on the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, at or near the west crossing of the Columbia river; thence southward to the upper end of Kootenay Lake, with power to extend from thence to the International Boundary Line at some point between the 116th and 118th meridians of longitude.

EBERTS & TAYLOR,
Solicitors for Applicants.

Dated at Victoria, the 1st day of December, A. D. 1886. de2 6w

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT APplication will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to empower the Trustees of the Victoria Fire Department Charitable Association to realize the assets of such Association, and to distribute the same amongst the members thereof proportionately to their terms of service.

YATES & JAY,
Solicitors for the Trustees.

Dated at Victoria, the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1886. de26 6w

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT APplication will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to Incorporate a Company for the construction and operation of a line of Railway, in the District of New Westminster, in the Province of British Columbia, from a point at or near Ladner's Landing; thence in a north-easterly direction to a point at or near Popcum.

EBERTS & TAYLOR,
Solicitors for Applicants.

Dated at Victoria, the 7th day of December, A. D. 1886. de8 6w

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT APplication will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to Incorporate a Company for the construction and operation of a line of Railway in the Osoyoos Division of the Yale District, from Sicamoose Narrows to Okanagon Lake.

M. LUMBY,
Secretary for Applicants.

Dated at Victoria, Dec. 24th, 1886. de25 6w

GOVERNMENT NOTICES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A license to prospect for coal over 840 acres of land situated on the Yakoun River, Graham Island, Queen Charlotte District, for one year from the date hereof, has been issued to Messrs. H. S. Mason, H. G. Lewis, Alex. Mackenzie and James Burns.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., Nov. 17th, 1886. no28-2m

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A license to prospect for coal over 840 acres of land situated on the Yakoun River, Graham Island, Queen Charlotte District, for one year from the date hereof, has been issued to Messrs. J. S. Helmcken, Wm. Charles, R. H. Hall and Chas. W. C. Clifford.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B. C., 11th Nov., 1886. no26 2m

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE reserve which was placed upon Tumbo Island has been cancelled, and that the island will be open to purchase three months from date hereof.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B. C., 9th Dec., 1886. de10 3m

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LAND NOTICES.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, INTEND making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease, for the purpose of cutting timber, (1430 acres) one thousand four hundred and thirty acres of land situated near Malaspina Strait, in New Westminster District, and described as follows: Commencing at a post distant 162 chains 50 links true east from the northeast post of our timber lease No. 13; thence true east 145 chains; thence true south 125 chains, to the northern boundary of lease No. 13; thence true west 75 chains; thence true north 55 chains; thence true west 70 chains; thence true north 70 chains to the place of beginning.

MOODYVILLE SAWMILL CO. (Limited.)
B. SPRINGER, Manager.

Burrard Inlet, 10th Nov., 1886. no17 2m

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, GIVE NOTICE that we intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase six hundred and forty acres (each) of land within a block situate on the Yakoun River, Graham Island, Queen Charlotte District, described as follows: Commencing at the north-west corner of the Yakoun Coal Mining Company's land, as described in Prospecting License No. 14, dated the 20th day of May, 1886, at post B; thence running due east 140 chains; thence due north 140 chains; thence due west 140 chains; thence due south 140 chains to point of commencement.

J. S. HELMCKEN,
R. H. HALL,
WM. CHARLES,
CHAS. W. C. CLIFFORD.

Yakoun River, Queen Charlotte Island, 30th September, 1886. no20 2m

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, GIVE NOtice that we intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commisioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 640 acres (each) of land within a block situate on the Yakoun River, Graham Island, Queen Charlotte District, described as follows:—Commencing at the south-west corner of the Yakoun Coal Mining Company's land as described in Prospecting License No. 14, dated 20th day of May, 1886, at post E; thence running due east 140 chains; thence due south 140 chains; thence due west 140 chains; thence due north 140 chains to point of commencement at point E.

H. S. MASON,
H. G. LEWIS,
ALEX. MACKENZIE,
JAMES BURNS.

Yakoun River, Queen Charlotte Island, 20th September, 1886. no20 2m

NOTICE.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, INTEND MAKing application to the Chief Commissione of Lands and Works for permission to lease for timbering purposes 660 acres of land situated in the District of New Westminster, near Sechelt Inlet, and described as follows:—

Commencing at the south-west corner of our lease No. 4; thence south 60 chains; thence east 110 chains; thence north 60 chains; thence west to place of beginning.

MOODYVILLE SAWMILL CO., Ld.
B. SPRINGER, Manager

Burrard Inlet, B. C., 14th January, 1887. jan16 2m

NOTICE—I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT thirty days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to establish a road, commencing at the west end of the gazetted road, between sections 3 and 4 Highland District; then running in a northerly direction about 9 chains; then a little south of west 30 chains on section 11, to line between sections 10 and 11; then about 8 chains on section 10; then a little north of west on section 11 to west end of said section, and being 20 feet on each side of the centre of the present road known as Pike's road.

Also, a branch road 20 feet wide and one-half chain in length, 18 chains west of post at corner of sections 3 and 4, 10 and 11, between said road and line of sections 10 and 11.

JOHN H. SCAFE.

Dated January 15th, 1887. jan16 1m

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I INtend making application to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase Lots 29 and 30, Group I., Osoyoos Division of Yale District. The land is situated on the west shore of Osoyoos Lake, above the Narrows, in Township 49.

TH. KRUGER.

January 5th, 1887. ja9

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I have applied to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase two hundred and forty acres on Thetis Island, Cowichan District, commencing at a post on coast half a mile North from Crescent Point, thence 20 chains East, 80 chains North, 40 chains West, and thence south along coast to point of commencement.

HENRY SEVERNE,
jan9 Thetis Island.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal over (1920) nineteen hundred and twenty acres of land in Kootenay District, starting at a point west of Marten Creek, about 60 chains north of the S. W. Fork of said Creek; thence S. 120 chains; thence E. 160 chains; thence N. 120 chains; thence W. 160 chains to initial point.

W. FERNIE,
E. BRAY,
F. W. AYLMER,
J. E. HUMPHREYS.

Victoria, Jan. 14th, 1887. jan16 2m

NOTICE.—THE UNDERSIGNED GIVES Notice that application has been made to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase four Islands containing about eight acres, situated North and East of Osborn Bay, Chemainus district.

SAMUEL GIBBS.

January 20th. ja21-2mos

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 28TH, 1887.

SHIPPING.

ENTERED.

Jan. 27—Str. Geo. E. Starr, Pt. Townsend.
Str. Princess Louise, Burrard Inlet.

CLEARED.

Jan. 27—Str. Geo. E. Starr, Pt. Townsend.
Str Princess Louise, Burrard Inlet.

PASSENGERS.

Per str. PRINCESS LOUISE fm Burrard Inlet—Miss Kinlock, Mrs Nicolls, Mrs Kilpatrick, G Huston and wife, R H Birdsall, G Armstrong, W Champress, J A Webster, H Hatfield, R Holmes, N Carter, H McQueen, W McQueen, J G McDonald, H J Edson, A G Ferguson and wife, J Wilson, Miss Adams, Miss Smith, Mrs Fleming.

Per str. GEO. E. STARR from Port Townsend—J A Ryan, J Cameron, T W P Cox, Kelly, G A Borden, J Butler, Ward, J Marshall, Z Trizner, Bissell, W Eaton, C L Pierce, J Gillett, Waydell, Grady, Kelly, McCabe, McTeague, J Reist, J Loomis, W Jones, J McCrea, Blanchard, J Heywood, A Herman, J Alstone, Dyer.

CONSIGNEES.

Per str PRINCESS LOUISE fm Burrard Inlet—Dom Ex Co, E B Marvin, Lenz & Leiser, W Heathorn, Turner, Beeton & Co.

Per str. GEO. E. STARR from Port Townsend—A Ofner, A McLean & Co, Bossi & G, B C S & P Co, Butler & Anderson, Fell & Co, Henderson Bro, Hurst Bro, Hud Bay Co, J W Sexsmith, J Cunningham, J H Todd & Son, J Cameron, Lenz & Leiser, M H Mansell, N Portman, Reed & Co, S J Pitts, T Dunn & Co, Van Volkenburg, W Prothers.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

AT THE CLARENCE:—J D Erwin, New Westminster; A B Colt, Seattle; Miss B H Brown, Ben Holland, Portland; W Porter, E Vachon, Vancouver; Dr Walkem, J Powson and wife, J E Jenkens, Nanaimo; G Cleveland, Washington: R Jones, Boston, Mass.

BIRTHS.

MATTHEWS—In this city, on the 27th inst., the wife of J. P. Matthews, of a son.

DEATHS.

GALL—In this city yesterday evening, 26th inst., Sarah H. M. Hitzler, widow of the late H. B. Gall, Esq., of Barbadoes, West Indies. The funeral will leave the residence of her son, Mr. G. L. A. Gall, Yates Street, fifth door above Cook Street, this day, at 2 o'clock p. m.

ANOTHER large supply of "She" at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s. †

VALENTINES at Robt. Jamieson's, Government street. *

DOMINION Voters' List, for sale by T. N. Hibben & Co. *

CALL and have a talk with FISHER, the ARCHITECT, before you order plans. *

A LARGE stock of Note, Letter and Legal Cap in pads, at T. N. Hibben & Co's. *

YUKON.—W. M. Bennett & H. E. Cutter have 500 sleighs ready for the Yukon miners at Juneau. 5w

FINE BREAKFAST RELISH. — Finnan Haddies just received by express at H Saunders, Johnson street. *

CLIPPER Almanacs for 1877, at Robt. Jamieson's. *

GREAT SALE of overcoats at A. Gilmore's. They must be sold; we do not intend to carry them over. *

ARNOLD'S Writing Fluid, Blue Black Copying and Machine Copying Inks, and Saunders' Brilliant Scarlatine Fluid, at Jamieson's, Government street. *

EVERY WEEK, Dick's English Library of Standard Novels, and many other cheap publications of a similar kind at T. N. Hibben & Co's. *

LANGLEY & Co., Yates street, Victoria, B. C., sole agents for B. C., of Dr. J. W. Treat's Painless Corn and Wart Fxtractor. To insure satisfaction use no other. *

T. THOMPSON, practical gun-maker, ha removed to 37 Johnson street. Guns pistols, sporting material, etc. All kinds of repairing done and warranted. 1m

AGAIN TO THE FRONT.—The highest cash prices will be paid for superfluous or cast-off Garments, Pants, Coats, etc. Note address, Johnson street, near Broad. COONESS & WHITE. 1m

MY GOOD friend, if you are in search of flowers, feathers, fans, gloves, lace collars, lace, etc., etc., for evening wear, call in at the Lansdowne House, Yates street, where a choice stock is to be seen. 2

NEW ENGLAND BAKERY.—Bread, cakes, pies and pastry of all kinds, fresh oysters by the bottle or sack, promptly delivered to all parts of the city. YOUNG BROS., Government st eet. †

The new Beaver Trimmings,
The New Braid Panels and Dress Sets,
The New Braided Plush Trimmings,
The New Silk Braid Ruches,
New Trimmings for Mantles and Dresses in all the latest styles at the
CITY HOUSE.

"THE WORLD went well then," by W. Besant; "The nine of hearts," by Farjeon; "Married in haste," by Blanche Rosevelt; "Traits and stories of Irish peasantry," by Carleton, just received at T. N. HIBBEN & CO.'S *

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Hamilton Creamery,
Ingersoll Dairy,
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Fresh Island,
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Place in Victoria for Books and Stationery is next door to the Postoffice, B. C. Stationery Co.

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CLOTHING BOUGHT AND SOLD.—Highest cash price paid for *Superfluous and Cast-off Garments, Blankets and Overcoats.* TRAVELERS having a superfluity of clothing can sell them for cash to
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A SURE CURE FOR SUMMER COMPLAINTS. Procure from your druggist one 37½ cent bottle of Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry and use according to directions. It is infallible for Diarrhœa, Cholera Morbus, Canker of the Stomach and Bowels, and Cholera Infantum.
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PROPOSED RESERVOIR.

There are clefts in the rocks,
On Spring Ridge hill,
Where the artisan's hammer,
With chisel and drill,
Could easily make
An artesian well
For the upper levels,
An unbounded supply,
While our trickling rill,
Diluted with tadpoles,
Or something to kill,
Still struggling oozing,
Through ravine and hill,
In death's extremity,
Would be knocked sky high,
And the natural incline,
Would accommodate St. Valentine.
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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

PUT BACK.—The North Pacific started out yesterday morning for the Sound, but had to put back on account of the fierce storm.

SENT UP.—The prisoner McDonald was taken to the provincial gaol yesterday afternoon where he will stay until the opening of the assizes.

AMONG those who assisted to make the Y. M. C. A. concert a success on Wednesday evening was Mr. Samuel Reid whose song was much appreciated and worthy of the *encore* it received.

ARRIVED.—The R. P. Rithet, Capt. White, which left here for New Westminster at 12 o'clock Wednesday night, arrived there safely yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock. A private dispatch says that she behaved nobly in the gulf.

I DID not get the promise of work on the corporation but was told to go and get the keys. I told Mr. Tierney if he wanted me to go to work on the burly drills to get the keys himself, as I did not want to ask the man in charge for them.
N. F. MURPHY.

A TERRIBLE FALL.—An old man named Jack Shepherd was thrown or fell from a third story window of the Cleveland hotel, Vancouver, early on Wednesday morning. His wrists were broken and his face and head terribly bruised, which with other injuries are likely to prove fatal. There is a suspicion of foul play in connection with the case.

HEAVY WEATHER.—The Louise, from Burrard Inlet, and the Starr, from Puget Sound, arrived at 11 o'clock last night. Both reported heavy weather outside. The latter laid in Port Discovery for two hours waiting for the weather to moderate. The North Pacific left the harbor yesterday morning for the Sound, but put back and did not go out till last night.

ATTEMPTED FRAUD.—A Chinaman, having the appearance of being something higher than most of his brethren, was brought before Judge Harrison yesterday morning on a charge of having obtained $50 from another Chinaman under false pretenses by changing a confederate note. The usually alert Chinaman was caught and is *minus* his $50. It was rumored yesterday that the fellow arrested, is connected with the Sound customs detective force, and that some of the Chinamen here got him to change the note with the intention of having him arrested, and for the time being, putting him out of the way.

WEEKLY COLONIST.—THE WEEKLY COLONIST, issued this morning, is unquestionably the newsiest and best paper in the province. It contains the latest dispatches up to the hour of going to press; is full to repletion with local and suburban news, while its selections are crisp, newsy and well-chosen. It has the widest circulation of any paper in the province, and is a pleasant *souvenir* to send to eastern friends. As a family journal it outranks any in British Columbia. This issue contains a full account of the opening of the legislative assembly, and subsequent proceedings, with biographical sketches of each of the members. Two dollars per annum; single copies, ready for mailing, 10 cents.

SABBATH SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.—The Gorge road Sunday school anniversary which took place last Wednesday evening, proved to be a very successful one so far as the part contributed by the children was concerned. This school has only been a little over one year in existence, and during that time its numbers have increased from forty-five to one hundred and thirty-five. Judging from the secretary's report considerable progress has been made in providing aids for instructing the children. We note that a very handsome library has been obtained. Mr. E. J. Gray, the superintendent, deserves great credit for the present prosperous condition of the school.

A VALUABLE WORK.—We are in receipt of a copy of Henderson's Directory and Gazeteer of Winnipeg, Manitoba and the Northwest territories, compiled and published by Jas. Henderson, Winnipeg. Besides containing the names and addresses of the citizens throughout the great northwest, the volume is full of interesting and valuable information. The amount of research, travel and labor occupied in collecting so great an amount of matter must necessarily have been extensive and the completeness of the information reflects the highest credit on the publisher. The work is invaluable to all desirous of gleaning information about the North-west, or of opening up business connections, and should have an extensive circulation. The subscription price is $5, obtainable from the Winnipeg Publishing Co.

THE DRY DOCK.—M. Connolly, of Larkin, Connolly & Co., dry dock contractors, who arrived on Tuesday from Quebec, states that that work is now complete and has a photograph of a ship in position in the dock. The company have tendered on several other important works including the Cape Breton railway, and are otherwise preparing for a big season's work. The caisson chamber is expected to be floated into position at the Esquimalt dock in about six weeks' time, when the cofferdam will be removed and that important work to this province will then be completed. Should the O. & S. railway scheme be so placed as to enable work to be commenced, British Columbia may again be the scene of operations for a company of contractors, who are noted the Dominion over for their sterling qualities.

CASUALTIES.—The light breeze which sprang up at 10 o'clock Wednesday night increased to a gale before daylight yesterday morning and by 7 o'clock was little short of a hurricane. This continued all through the day, sweeping down hanging signs, fences, blowing in windows, etc. Smith & Clarke's long smoke stack was on the point of toppling over but was seen in time by one of the workmen who threw a rope around the upper part and drew it back into position, where it was securely fastened. The 40-foot tower over the dredger, used by C. Hayward at the mouth of the inner harbor, was completely demolished, and in consequence work was suspended. This is without doubt the worst storm that has visited this section of the country since 1875 when the great Mohongo storm occurred, which event is still fresh in the minds of many of our readers. It is about time the city council took some action with regard to hanging signs, as it is said several narrow escapes occurred yesterday.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Judge Harrison.)

Hoc Hon, charged with obtaining $50 under false pretences from Ho Wing. Remanded until Monday. Mr. Walls appeared for prosecution, and Mr. T. Fell for the defense.

Malcolm J. McDonald, on remand charged with shooting with intent to kill. Committed for trial at the next assizes.

MARINE.

The barge Taylor is reported ashore near Nanaimo.

Steamship Mexico will leave San Francisco for this port at 9 o'clock to-day.

Steamship G. W. Elder sails for San Francisco at 1 o'clock p. m. to-morrow.

The Alexander will tow the ship Florence to sea as soon as the weather permits.

Yesterday as the Wellington was lying in Royal roads a huge wave sprang over her, sweeping her decks fore and aft.

Collier Wellington is in Esquimalt with 2300 tons of coal from Departure Bay for San Francisco. She will proceed on her voyage as soon as the wind abates.

Ship R. P. Buck, coal laden for San Francisco, is at Esquimalt, weather-bound. The Pilot will tow her to sea as soon as possible.

Ship Carrolton, now at Nanaimo, B. C., and ship C. T. Sargent, are reported to have been purchased by San Francisco parties and they are to be used in the coal carrying trade.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

NEW WESTMINSTER, Jan. 27.—Steamer Rithet arrived at 10:30 o'clock a. m. Reported very stormy weather in the gulf. She left at 2 o'clock p. m. on the return trip and at 8 o'clock p. m. was reported as being tied up at Ladner's Landing awaiting the abatement of the storm.

PERSONAL.

T. Deasy has been appointed sergeant-at-arms in the house of assembly.

A. G. Ferguson and wife, Vancouver, who arrived here last night, leave for San Francisco on to-morrow's steamer.

J. A. Webster, New Westminster, and A. G. Ferguson and wife, Vancouver, were among the arrivals by the Louise last night.

M. Lenz, of Lenz & Leiser, made the trip from New York to London in eight days. He will visit various places on the European continent before returning in April next.

WHAT SOME PEOPLE SAY.

THAT IF YOU NEED MONEY try the Victoria Loan Office, 44 Johnson street. Advances on jewelry, guns, etc. 6m

That there is nothing so elegant or in as good taste for a Xmas present as—your photograph. Pictures taken equally well in any kind of weather. Hall & Lowe, Photographers. *

That Austin Brice, the young contractor who skipped from New Westminster, is at present in Chicago. He has visited Montreal and several places with the woman De Rose since he left the Royal city.

That the mass meeting last night developed in a remarkable manner the unanimity of feeling prevailing as to Sir John's benign rule. We should like to see a flat-footed grit come out just to show him how badly he would be "licked."

THE JUBILEE YEAR.

On Wednesday His Worship Mayor Fell on behalf of the people of Victoria cabled Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen congratulations on her jubilee year and received yesterday a reply.

CONGRATULATIONS.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 26.

To Her Majesty the Queen.
Windsor Castle, London, Eng.

In the name of our loyal citizens allow me to congratulate Your Most Gracious and Illustrious Majesty on the Jubilee Year of one of the most glorious reigns in our history. And specially we feel proud that our city will hand down to future ages a name so illustrious.

JAMES FELL, Mayor.

THE REPLY.

LONDON, Jan. 27.

To Mayor Fell,
Victoria, B. C.

The Queen sincerely thanks you and fellow citizens for your kind and loyal telegram.

PONSONBY, Private Secretary.

PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS.

The attorney-general has introduced a bill to abolish preference amongst creditors in the administration of the estate of deceased persons, which provides that in the administration of the estate of every person who shall die on or after the first day of January, 1888, no debt or liability of such person shall be entitled to any priority or preference by reason merely that the same is secured by or arises under a bond, deed or other instrument under seal, or is otherwise made or constituted a specialty debt; but all the creditors of such person, as well specialty as simple contract, shall be treated as standing in equal degree, and be paid accordingly out of the assets of such deceased person, whether such assets are legal or equitable, any statute or other law to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, that this act shall not prejudice or affect any lien, charge, or other security which any creditor may hold or be entitled to for the payment of his debt.

BALANCE SHEET OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

As per Treasury Accounts, for the Year Ended 30th of June, 1886.

DR. ASSETS.			
Dominion Gov't, Section 2, Terms of Union			$583,021 40
Sinking Fund Loan, 1877, (invested in London)			154,892 54
Sinking Fund Loan, 1874, (deposited in Bank of British Columbia)			5,097 78
British Columbia Loan Trustees (balance in their hands)			299 72
Cache Creek Boarding School			1,968 13
Dominion Government			44 78
The Government of the Territory of Washington			1,128 62
Bank of B. C., special deposit by Ainsworth & Co., as guarantee for Columbia and Kootenay Railway and Transportation Co			25,000 00
BALANCES DUE BY AGENTS AND COLLECTORS, VIZ:—			
C. Warwick,	Sub-Acct.,	N. West'ster	5,767 69
A. W. Vowell,	do.	Kootenay	1,734 29
John Bowron,	do.	Cariboo	686 80
F. Hussey,	do.	Lytton	1,167 41
Wm. Dodd,	do.	Kamloops	1,041 53
G. C. Tunstall,	do.	Similkame'n	1,481 92
F. Soues,	do.	Clinton	1,089 51
M. Bray,	do.	Nanaimo	951 05
W. Dewdney,	do.	Okanagan	1,121 16
J. Clapperton,	Collector,	Nicola	833 27
H. Nicholson,	do.	Osoyoos	502 21
J. C. Mollet,	do.	Alberni	40 74
C. A. Vernon,	late do.	Okanagan	309 28
J. Glassey,	late do.	Spon. Bridge	202 24
			16,929 10
Cash balance in hand at Treasury			1,447 26
Province of British Columbia, being liabilities over assets			187,082 35
			$976,911 68
CR. LIABILITIES.			
B. C. Loan (Act, 1874) bearing 7 ₱ per cent. interest, payable at Victoria			$20,000 00
B. C. Loan (Act, 1877) bearing 6 ₱ per cent. interest, payable in London			727,500 00
Bank of B. C., account current			174,046 45
Deposits (intestate estates, etc.)			24,396 85
Island R'y Lands (47 Vic., Chap. 14)			5,857 76
Columbia and Kootenay Railway and Transportation Company			25,000 00
BALANCES DUE TO AGENTS AND COLLECTORS, VIZ:—			
J. L. Crimp,	Sub-Acct.,	Cassiar	106 60
Henry Fry,	Collector,	Cowichan	4 02
			110 62
			$976,911 68

Examined and found correct,
J. McB. SMITH, Auditor,
ALFRED FLETT,
Deputy Treasurer.

CONSERVATIVE MASS MEETING

Addresses by Messrs. Shakespeare, Baker, Fell, Humphreys, Robertson, and Dr. Helmcken.

The Audience Enthusiastically in Favor of Sir John A.—But do not Want a Convention—The Old-Time Practice to be Followed.

The announcement that a liberal-conservative convention would be held in The Victoria theatre last evening, drew together several hundred electors and a large number of spectators. Promptly at eight o'clock Mr. M. W. T. Drake was voted into the chair and Mr. F. S. Barnard appointed secretary. The chairman called upon the gentlemen who were candidates for the suffrages of the people to come forward, whereupon Messrs. E. C. Baker, N. Shakespeare, W. A. Robertson, T. B. Humphreys, and Mayor Fell took seats upon the platform. Each candidate received a liberal measure of applause as he ascended the platform.

The chairman, in explaining the object of the meeting, said the party at present in power at Ottawa had done a great deal for this province. They had strained the resources of the Dominion and the allegiance of their party that they might faithfully carry out their bargain with us, and the least the province could do was to send good men and true to Ottawa who will support that party [cheers]. At the conclusion of the meeting he would recommend the appointment of a convention by the meeting to choose such of the gentlemen before them as representatives for Ottawa as they might see fit. He called on Mr. Baker, as senior representative, to address the meeting.

Mr. Baker on coming forward was received with applause. He said as there might be several other aspirants for the same position as himself among the audience it was suggested that each speaker confine his remarks to one quarter of an hour. He claimed that he had attempted during the past four years to do his duty zealously and faithfully, and Mr. Shakespeare and himself had worked in perfect harmony.

Dr. Helmcken stepped upon the platform at this juncture and was greeted with great applause.

Mr. Baker had not time to read everything in the papers but he occassionally had time to notice some of the squibs which appeared in them about election times. In one he was described as "the Lord High Admiral." (laughter) another said he might be a very good sailor but he was an utter failure as a politician. (Laughter). All he had to say was that if he wanted a master mariner's certificate he would not go to the *Times* newspaper for it. And here he would ask was there a more noble whole-souled honest classs of men then the sailors. (Cheers.) If elected again the electors must not expect too much from them. If they did their duty and put in the regular sessions in hard work it was all that could be expected of them. He wished it to be understood that he would support the party of Sir John Macdonald on the same terms as he had during the four years just ended and at some future time the electors would hear from both Mr. Shakespeare and himself at length on matters connected with the dry dock, liquor license, Chinese question etc. On concluding he was liberally applauded.

Mr. Shakespeare, on coming forward, was loudly received. He said he would speak but a few minutes. Four years ago he had been honored with their confidence. In his address he pledged to carry out certain important points, and if there was one present who could point to where he had neglected his duty he would feel obliged [applause]. He had then been elected as a liberal-conservative, and time had now brought him again before them in the same interest. Hoped they would again honor him, and he believed they would, for the signs were that he was more popular with them than before [applause]. He thought they would all agree with him that the liberal-conservative party was the one they should support [applause]. There were times when he thought a man should not vote with party, and if the liberal-conservative government had voted against the hanging of Louis Riel he would have voted against them. [Loud applause]. The man who would not sanction such a course was not worthy the name of a citizen of our fair Dominion [applause]. If they would again honor him he would endeavor to serve their interests as faithfully in the future as in the past. [Loud applause]. He and his colleagues would in a short time call a public meeting and disclose their views on public matters.

Mayor Fell being called upon came forward, and was applauded. He was in full accord and sympathy with the conservative government of Canada, though he was not a slave to any party. This community was especially under obligation to the present administration. It should be borne in mind that Mr. Blake had traduced this country by every means in his power, and called us a "sea of mountains." (Roars of laughter.) What had he done in regard to the Canadian Pacific railway? Why, as Mr. White had told us on this platform, he had done everything in his power to prevent it's construction. (Cries of oh! oh!) I say yes. But there were measures which the opposition had fought against which made them deserving of our thanks; for instance, there was the Franchise Act, and if I had been in that house my voice would have been heard ringing through it (laughter) in condemnation of that measure. But did we hear either of these worthies we sent there to represent us say one word against it? (Laughter.) I am told that I have only one quarter of an hour to speak and, consequently, connot expand myself, (roars of laughter), and I must prepare to conclude. (No, go on, go on!) Now, as the lord high admiral, (laughter), that's what he goes by at Ottawa, has told us what he has done I might also recount some of my acts while among you. The speaker proceeded to refer to his services in connection with the schools. (Cries of time, time.) The speaker appealed to the chair and was told he had three minutes to go. He then proceeded to give 'em one round more amid applause. He referred to the present satisfactory condition of the schools and the benevolent institutions with which he was connected. (Cries of time, time.) One word more. (Laughter.) I am told that I should not run for Ottawa because I am mayor. (Hear, hear.) I say no! Where do you find a city in Canada that does not elect its mayor to Ottawa? (Hear, hear, and laughter.) If he was sent to Ottawa the interests of the city would be well guarded, and he would seek the first thing $100,000 for the clearing out of the harbor, and he would insist on getting it. (Loud applause.)

Mr. Humphries was well received. He said the time-limit would not allow him to discuss Dominion politics. He did not think it fair that the two previous members should haye been named by the chairman as the two candidates they were to select. He was simply in the position of an ordinary individual and would have to abide by the decision of the people. He did not like the term "independent" candidate—it was simply that such an individual was allowed to do as he pleased. However, the two gentlemen who previously represented them had placed themselves in a peculiar position. A man, if he was an honest man, was the supportor of either one party or the other. (Applause.) If he was elected he would be an out-and-out supporter of Sir John Macdonald. [Hear.] He did not believe there was a crisis for Sir John Macdonald, but that British Columbia and every province in the Dominion would support the liberal-conservative party. [Applause.] He did not wish to disparage the liberal party, but thought that they acted in the best interests of the country so far as they knew. [No, no.] But he intended to be a staunch supporter of Sir John Macdonald through good and evil report. He would, like his other friends, avail himself of the opportunities to discuss matters more fully. He (Mr. H.) had been quietly canvassing Victoria ever since he was shunted out of the Victoria legislature, and he believed he had a majority of votes in the district. [Applause.]

Mr. W.A. Robertson was received with cheers. He was not aware up to date as to why the meeting was called. He was before them to-night to ask from a higher honor than ever before. He was previously a member of the confederation league. It was a time when Canadians were termed "North American Chinamen," and it was not safe for one's business to be connected with anything Canadian. However, he had always worked for principle and continued with the league until confederation was a fact. He had previously been elected for Victoria district to the legislature, and several times a councillor for the city. It had been pointed out by Henry George that as soon as they elected dishonest men the community generally became corrupt. (Voice—Who was Henry George?) (Laughter.) When workingmen ruled the nation that nation was prosperous. When Cromwell was dictator England was well ruled. The reason he spoke thus was because some might say "Oh, he is a common blacksmith, and ain't fit to represent us." He believed no matter how poor a man was, if he had the ability he was competent to represent them. (Hear.) He thought that the man who would oppose Sir John Macdonald was guilty of an act of ingratitude. He thought we should have more protection on our waters—our towboats should tow in our own waters, our sealers should have right to seal in the Behring sea; the fisheries in the east should be protected. No matter how loud the American eagle might scream the British lion would not be frightened. neither the lion's cub [applause]. If elected he would get as much as possible for the province. Now he was still unaware what the meeting was called for. He believed that it had been cut and dried that the two old members should be chosen [no, no]. He had been euchred once before in a convention [laughter] and he did not propose to be so again [laughter]. No matter who might be chosen here to-night he intended to run anyway [cheers].

Dr. Helmcken was loudly called for, and on coming forward said he was in the wrong box—he had got in by the back door [laughter]. He was not a candidate—he did not know there was a vacancy in the city. He thought that when two members had done their duty faithfully they should again be accorded the confidence of the electors. He would ask them to support the government of Sir John A. Macdonald [hear, hear]. There was not a man who had come before them but had supported Sir John Macdonald; there was not one there who would dare to come forward and oppose him [cheers]. Sir John had carried out his agreement with British Columbia, and in his endeavor to do so had nearly swamped his party. They should not swamp horses in crossing a stream, and he thought they should send men to Ottawa who would support the present government. The Macdonald party were the only party that were one of progress. [Cheers.] He took no stock in the remarks about being slaves to party—or to Sir John Macdonald—there was no such thing. They sent members there to support the government and not any one man. [Cheers.] He would ask them to give that support to Sir John A. Macdonald's government, which his enemies say it requires, and which we all know it deserves. [Loud Applause.]

Mr. E. G. Prior said he was there to support the member who would support Sir John A. Macdonald and if they returned two such members they would get justice. If they returned others they would return those who would oppose British Columbia interests. He had great pleasure in proposing the following resolution:

Whereas, it is desirable in the interests of Victoria city and district that members of parliament pledged to support the government of Sir John A, Macdonald should be elected to represent this constituency, and that in the choice of such members all classes should be represented.

Therefore, be it resolved that in the opinion of this meeting a convention of electors be formed; and that said convention after due deliberation do select two candidates to represent this district in the house of commons who pledge themselves to support the government of Sir John A. Macdonald on all party questions, and uphold the interests of this community in all matters of local importance; and that this meeting invites all liberal-conservatives to use their influence for the welfare of such candidates as may be chosen by said convention.

Mr. R. P. Rithet said it was with pleasure that he seconded the resolution. British Columbia, now really a portion of Canada, for they were connected by rail with the east, it was necessary now to sink individuality and elect two members who would support the Macdonald government. They had seven candidates before them all in the same interest. If they did not combine their forces they might place themselves in a position that would enable their enemies to return members against their wishes. They had a large meeting here to-night and he was pleased to see that there were so many supporters of Sir John in Victoria. (Applause.) They would have the privilege of deputing as many or few as they pleased to choose two candidates who would pledge themselves to support John Macdonald. (Applause.)

The chairman then put the resolution, which, according to vote, was carried.

A large number objecting, on motion of T. B. Humphries, seconded by Mayor Fell, the vote was reconsidered.

The chairman again read the resolution which was negatived.

On motion of Humphreys, seconded by Fell, a vote of thanks was tendered the chairman, and the meeting dispersed.

WE are glad to learn that there was no foundation for the rumor published last evening to the effect that Frank Webb had been drowned in the North Arm. Mr. Webb came forward to-day to contradict the rumor.—*Columbian.*

PHRENOLOGICAL.—A lecture on phrenology will be given in The Victoria this evening by Mr. W. J. Sutton. The subject will be exemplified by a large collection of heads from all parts of the world showing extreme developments. The political aspirants are to receive the lecturer's attention, and from advices received of Mr. Sutton's lectures elsewhere no doubt a pleasant evening will be spent.

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Dr. McGlynn is recovering from his late severe illness. He has the sympathy of all his former parishoners.

Great excitement prevails throughout Chili at the appearance of cholera on its boundaries. Strict quarantine rules are set down.

There was great jubilation throughout the seaport towns of Massachussetts, over the passage of the retaliatory fisheries bill by the senate.

Three thousand miners have struck at Airdage, Scotland, for an advance of a shilling a day. The strike has occasioned excitement among colliers throughout Scotland.

It is semi-officially stated that the Austrian government concurs as to the necessity of a new sobranje, or new regency before the election of a prince to the Bulgarian throne. England is the only power that objects to this move.

Chris. Buckley, the noted democratic boss, is lying dangerously ill at his residence in San Francisco. He had to return from Sacramento, where he was prostrated, owing to his energetic campaign. It will be some time before he recovers.

Pickets, of the Ocean Association of Longshoremen, K. of L., report that not a pound of coal was put aboard any of the ocean steamships in New York, Brooklyn or Jersey City on Tuesday. Proprietors of grain elevators have shut down and have asked protection from the police against the strikers.

Frank B. Wallcott went to an opium joint in Livingston, M. T., on Monday night and smoked a dozen pipes or more. He was taken with a fit and died from the effects of the drug. An autopsy showed that every organ was in perfect health before death. The Chinamen were ordered to leave town, and departed by the next train, being escorted to the depot by a mob.

Accurate details have been received at Walla Walla of a shooting affray near Weston on the 20th inst. There was a funeral in the town, and among the attendants were Robt. Turney, George Creagan, school directors, and several young men from Indian mountain, and Ernest Shepherd, who had been sent to jail for some act of vandalism in the school some time ago. The boys became intoxicated and made threats against the directors. When the latter started for home the boys followed applying vile epithets and firing pistols into the air. Near Creagan's home the parties had a collision, and Turney shot Grant Byland, inflicting slight wounds in the face and thumb. Creagan shot Sebastian Bulcher in the breast; he then shot Shepherd twice in the back, the second ball passing close to his heart and out at the throat. Shepherd will die. Turney and Creagan have been bound over to appear before the grand jury at Pendleton.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.

Returns laid before the house yesterday show that in 1885 there were 320 births and 323 deaths and 193 marriages, against 263 births, 377 deaths and 227 marriages for the year 1884, being an increase of 57 births, and a decrease of 54 deaths and 34 marriages; and making together a total decrease of 31 registrations for the year 1885. Of the 320 births registered in 1885, 172 were males and 148 females. Only 14 of the marriages were by banns. The age of the eldest bride was 63 and of the youngest 15 years. The age of the eldest bridegroom was 71 and of the youngest bridegroom 19 years.

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MAINLAND NEWS.

(From an Occasional Correspondent.)

NEW WESTMINSTER.—Large quantities of freight continue to come in by C. P. R. The Royal City Planing Mills and another cut 110,000 feet of lumber daily, and are working at full capacity, sending much lumber along the line. The company have the order for a full cargo of lumber to be shipped to Montreal; they have a mill at Vancouver.

The Bank of British Columbia contemplate building a brick branch. A Chinese block of three brick stores has been built in Front street on leased ground for twenty years. Gas is now quite a feature, and as cheap as in Victoria.

VANCOUVER.—The stage road from New Westminster to Vancouver is in a bad condition—a disgrace to the corporation of Vancouver, as the worst part is within the city limits. In the latter portion, holes large enough *to bury a horse* have to be traversed by *two stages twice a day.* How drivers and horses do not commit suicide every time they attempt to travel, is one of those mysteries time may unravel; and the material for repair lies at the side of the road! Of the whole thirteen miles, certainly not four can be traveled at a pace exceeding a walk. Three hours are consumed in covering it.

Vancouver has one or two streets paved with planking, which gives it a cleanly and pleasing aspect. Several buildings of commanding appearance have been erected, among others the Leland block; the new Hudson Bay store has a very ornamental exterior. The new C. P. R. Hotel, to cost $200,000, is showing its vast proportions above ground, being built nearly to the first floor. Stacks of brick surround it, almost enough, apparently, to build a whole street of houses. It will be four stories in all. A fine view will be obtained from the front, and it is to be finished with ornamental grounds around it.

HON. MR. FOSTER'S OPINION OF THE BELMONT BILL.

MONTREAL, Jan. 23.—Hon. G. E. Foster, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, in an interview concerning the Belmont bill, said that while the bill appeared to assume that American fishing vessels were trading on their rights in Canadian waters, the treaty of 1818 gives them no such rights. The Canadian government has not in a single instance refused any fair rights or hospitalities to American fishermen. He said if congress deprives Canadian vessels of the privileges denied American vessels in Canadian ports, it will only prevent the Canadian fishermen from trading in American ports.

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